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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appn. No: 09/716,651  
Applicant: Samir N. Hulyalkar  
Filed: November 20, 2000  
Title: DATA SLICER FOR COMBINED TRELLIS DECODING AND EQUALIZATION  
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Confirmation No.: 8383  
Docket No.: SDC-100US

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated **December 29, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- Amendments to the Abstract** are on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **10** of this paper.